

July 4, 2021

* = All who are able please stand.

boldface = congregation participates

Before service speak silently to the Lord, during the service let the Lord speak powerfully to you.

Service for the Worship of God



Our Mission is to be a
community of disciples
with a heart for God
and hands to help others.

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Playful, imaginative, joyful creator of all this, we give you thanks for the expanse of your love for this world. From the early morning twisting dance of plants stretching from the earth to the spectacular evening light show offered by fireflies, we see your plan at work. From the rhythmic beating of our heart to the calming breath you share with us, we see your plan at work. For all things this day, we give you thanks. Amen.

PRELUDE

Gathering in the Lord's Presence

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From the East and the West, from the North and the South: our God is bringing us together in this place.

People: We are here, Lord!

Leader: Like a joyous parade, let us fill the streets with shouts of hope and love.

People: May our hearts be brimming with the playful spirit of God.

Leader: Let us worship the God who creates and forgives, laughs and plays, and unites us with one another.

ALL: Alleluia! Amen.

SONG: (9:00 am) *This Land Is Your Land* (11:15 am) *Who You Say I Am

This Land Is Your Land

This land is your land and this land is my land

From California to the New York island

From the redwood forest to the Gulf Stream waters

This land was made for you and me

As I went walking that ribbon of highway

I saw above me that endless skyway

Saw below me that golden valley

This land was made for you and me

I roamed and rambled and I've followed my footsteps
To the sparkling sands of her diamond deserts
All around me a voice was sounding
This land was made for you and me

When the sun come shining, then I was strolling
And the wheat fields waving and the dust clouds rolling
The voice was chanting as the fog was lifting
This land was made for you and me

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***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires. You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all. Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth!

ALL: By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Hearing the Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SPECIAL MUSIC: (11:15 am) *The Story of Tonight*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Zechariah 8:3-8

³Thus says the LORD: I will return to Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem; Jerusalem shall be called the faithful city, and the mountain of the LORD of hosts shall be called the holy mountain. ⁴Thus says the LORD of hosts: Old men and old women shall again sit in the streets of Jerusalem, each with staff in hand because of their great age. ⁵And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in its streets. ⁶Thus says the LORD of hosts: Even though it seems impossible to the remnant of this people in these days, should it also seem impossible to me, says the LORD of hosts? ⁷Thus says the LORD of hosts: I will save my people from the east country and from the west country; ⁸and I will bring them to live in Jerusalem. They shall be my people and I will be their God, in faithfulness and in righteousness.

RESPONSE:

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: *Double Dutch and Hopscotch*

Responding to the Word

***SONG:** (9:00 am) *Be Thou My Vision* (11:15am) *Vapor*

Be Thou My Vision

**Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light**

**Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one**

**Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and Thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure Thou art**

**Be my compassion my love for the poor
Break my distraction so I can't ignore
The least of Your children the ones You adore
For by them Jesus I worship You Lord**

OFFERING

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*DOXOLOGY

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving & **Lord's Prayer**

Words of Institution

Sharing the Meal

Prayer after Communion

Going Forth to Serve

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Lauren Cochran, Pastor

Kurt Schweitz, Messenger Band Director

Matt Parker Wrzeszcz, Associate Pastor